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In thus coming before the public we have no apologies to offer, for none are necessary. But we have many thanks to give to the good people of Gainesville for their hearty and loyal support of this enterprise which they have deemed worthy of their assistance. We were commended in our undertaking by Dr. Sledd, president of the University, and we have been encouraged by all patriotic college men. In return we shall offer the best we have in each issue and hope in the course of a few months, when we are in better running order, to publish a paper unexcelled by any school. The students are the contributors, and from the students come almost our entire support in this line. Anon, then will appear articles graciously given by the faculty or others interested, but as a rule this paper will be by the students, of the students, and for the students.

Students, you are earnestly requested to write something for your school paper. Who knows whether you are a genius or not? Nobody. The thing to do is to get down to it and write a story, an article, a poem, something funny, interesting, who cares so it is of interest to the general public? Don't say that you desire no fame. Grapes are not always sour that require a little working to obtain them. Just do your best. Angels could do no more. It is your duty to try. Your duty to your college which fosters you, your parents who look for the best that is in you, and to your God from whom come your talents.

A school isn't worth much without college spirit. A college newspaper is the best medium in the world to engender this spirit, as well as for advertising the school. Students try to do things that they might be recognized by the public. They realize the power of the printer's ink. They see that they must put forth their highest and best efforts to make a good showing before the public. It causes broad rivalry, and makes better students.

The Florida College for women advertises as embracing many things, but we notice with regret that University Students are not among the things so fortunate. Is there any chance, Dr. Murphree?

When you get up in the morning and start to "come clean" for the day, repeat this with a sanctimonious contortion of your physiognomy.

"What kind of a school would this one be if every fellow in it were just like me?"  
It may do you and your school some good.

A University needs a publication about as bad as the Devil needs a conscience. It can afford to do without it as well as a fiddler can do without his resin. We have the fiddle; help us supply the resin, and we will have some music.

All the students seem "tickled to death" with Gainesville, and the good people here are very enthusiastic over the University. We can only hope for such harmonious accord forever, and we are sure that such will be the case. This is an ideal college town, and we hope the school will stay right here always. The Board of Control selected very wisely indeed.

Some few are squirming under the strict Military discipline which is being administered at the school in regular doses; but there are none who fail to realize how much of a man it makes of a fellow, and how much better it is to be under an iron rule than under none at all. We are glad to see that if there is to be any Military at all, it is the right kind and no play.

To him that hath shall be given; if not, he'll take it.

Mr. Day of Jacksonville complains that his dog has been killed. Evidently he believes that every dog should have his day and every Day his dog.

This school never has had a newspaper; it may be a question whether or not it has one now.

We are all sometimes filled with the best spirits one way or the other. The most desirable kind at this time, however, is good old college spirit.

The Female College, at the last hearing, had enrolled 136 of Florida's fair damsels, representing more than thirty counties. Now those Tallahassee Beau Brummels will purchase Huylers, Nunnallys, etc., in a very strenuous manner, we guess.

This being our first issue, we have no exchanges to clip from; but in the hereafter we hope to be in position to give you the cream of other college publications.

Our sisters at Tallahassee "beat us to it" in the college publication line by starting up last year; but we'll catch up with them by June by printing curs bi-weekly while they have theirs monthly.

We wish to call the attention of all of our readers to the excellent speech of Hon. N. P. Bryan, Chairman of the Board of Control, on the first page of this issue. In college slang, he made a ten pin strike.

This journal will seldom dabble in politics, as we owe our existence to those dangerous things, and a turn of the mighty crank or cranks may mean the death of all of us.

We solicit and are very glad indeed to have all poems, articles, essays or stories written by the students, faculty, or alumni of the University, but we do not stand responsible for what is said thru these columns as we do not endorse all the ideas and opinions that have been or will be expressed.

We are always open to suggestion or criticism.

We are in for, and shall always endorse athletics in any way we can. We are great believers in good, clean athletic sports, and are glad to give space in our columns to any matter which will advance the cause. We call especial attention to the article by Athletic Director, Forsythe, in this issue, and heartily endorse all that he says. Truly, a college is widely known thru the men who represent her on the field or in the parlor.

"Man can not live on bread alone," nor can a newspaper depend on subscriptions alone, but we do depend a good amount on them, as we are judged almost altogether by our circulation. A dollar means little to you, but several of them come in handy in running a newspaper. Show the proper spirit by sending us your one dollar for a year's subscription.

Talk up the University News. You can help us by talking good things about us. Only one dollar per year for a good, clean, spicy, newsy, college publication. Sent to any address upon receipt of price. Every student in the school ought to take this paper, as well as all the patrons. Help us out, we can't run a paper on sympathy. It takes money, and a plenty of it.

We understand that a movement is on foot to form a Dramatic Club, and a Glee Club. Don't let them drop thru, fellows! They are something which every school should have. There is excellent material in the school for both, and we should be able to put on the stage several plays, minstrels, etc., before the year is over. It is another means of advertising your school. See to it at once.

## TO OUR ADVERTISERS

We believe that it pays to advertise; we are glad to see other people that do. We are grateful to all who have placed their cards in our paper, and we are sure that they will come out winners a hundred fold. We urge all students and those interested in this journal to do their trading with those who have patronized us. They have helped you, students, by helping your paper; now show your proper spirit by helping them. Some firms of every kind of business have given us support. Now help them by giving your trade over into their hands. Several whom we have broached on this subject have arrived at the conclusion that they are going to get all the college trade anyhow, so let them labor under this impression until you have undeceived them by trading elsewhere. Look over your paper before buying or come to us and we will direct you aright. That will be showing the proper college spirit. That will be showing those people that they can't expect everything from you and give you nothing. Cut the proper caper and let your money go to those who take an interest in you more than to get what you have. All contributions, suggestions, subscriptions, advertisements or other matter may be handed to the editor on the street, mailed to him, left at "The Oaks," or dropped in The Elevator office, and all will be gratefully received.

### For Love of Poodle.

Mrs. Nicholas Longworth better known as the President's daughter is getting the Canineus as bad as the other members of the smart set. Just now according to press despatches the Longworths are very much disturbed over the fact that their pet poodle, Manchu, is losing his hair. A very eminent physician has been called to attend "doggie" and strenuous efforts are being made to save the hair. As Nicholas Longworth is very bald himself he can probably sympathize with the dog.

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